# BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR MEETING SEPTEMBER 11, 2006

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Milford held their Regular Meeting on Monday, September 11, 2006 in the aldermanic chambers of City Hall. Chairperson T. Beirne called the meeting to order at 7:39 p.m. asking everyone present to stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 1 Roll Call

### **Board Members Present**

Also Present

T. Beirne Mayor J. Richetelli, Jr.

B. Bier J. O'Connell, Mayor's Admin. Asst.

B. Blake A. Jepson, City Clerk

V. Ditchkus, Jr.

J. Garbus

B. Genovese

M. Hardiman

B. Lambert <u>Excused</u>

J. Patterson

J. Politi W. Farley

K. Rowland

J. Toohey

N. Veccharelli

P.Vetro

Chairman Beirne on behalf of the Board of Aldermen extended deepest sympathy to City Clerk Alan Jepson on the death of his beloved wife.

Mr. Jepson stated on behalf of himself and his family he wished to thank the members of the Board of Aldermen and the public for the outpouring of support and sympathy and expressed his gratitude.

### 2. Public Statements

Public statements are limited to the legislative function of the Board of Aldermen. The time limit granted to each speaker shall be three minutes. Residents, taxpayers or electors may address the Board. Chairperson Beirne also reminded the public the Board does not respond to questions.

A. Charland – 42 Raycroft Street – spoke regarding flooding on Naugatuck Avenue between Bridgeport Avenue and Church Street. He stated he was speaking also as a member of Saint Ann's. He noted an item in the 5-year plan for correcting this and stated he would like to see it expedited. He thanked Mr. Kolwicz from Public Works and the Fire Department who are helping to correct the problem and who were helpful during the flooding. He stated the funding was to come from LOSCP (sp) and reiterated the need for help for the parishioners at Saint Ann's as well as their neighbors. He stated the yearly flooding should and needed to be resolved. He also commented regarding the Building Department and the criticism he has heard regarding that

department. He stated he is a semi-retired electrical contractor and has dealt with that department for many years and stated he feels the Chief Building Inspector is doing a good job for what has to be done in this city. He also stated they need help from MIS to automatic that department.

- M. Kramer 104 West River Street read from a prepared statement regarding her concerns of the proposed project on Prospect Street. She stated she believes Milford is too small for the concept "not in my backyard". She also spoke of a controversial decision on Noble Avenue and that the proposal although met with great dismay by members of its own Board approved the request. She stated the standards needed to be reviewed and also spoke of the Yale that caused many of the changes. She read a quote from that study. She continued reading from her statement speaking of a building moratorium and the need to reconsider standards that have frustrated so many building members.
- L. Schutte 56 Noble Avenue spoke of the Noble Avenue project and commented how short our memory is and that we have learned from our mistakes. She spoke of the August 15, 2006 meeting regarding Noble Avenue and began reading from a prepared statement speaking of issues such as flooding regarding this project, which has not been addressed. She also spoke of the drainage system, which is maxed out in that area. She also stated the August 27, 2006 storm left over 4ft of water in that area. She asked the Board to look at the existing zoning regulations.
- T. Clark 61 North Street stated he is the Chairman of the Milford Historic District and commented the Board need to ask the Historic District to help to fill in and provide information. He stated the need to protect the fantastic historic districts Milford has.
- R. Platt 132 Platt Lane stated he has been chided in the press because he had not made a proper list. He stated 4-5 years ago he made a list, as requested by B. Wright, Planning & Zoning). He spoke of that process and the amount of work put into compiling that list and that it was not included in the Plan of Conservation and Development. He stated the list was maintained in the Planning and Zoning Office and that he was insistent that it be made a part of the Plan of Conservation and Development. On a related topic he stated he wished to speak on the lack of protection of historic sites and referred to an incident in another town. He stated it was time to give formal recognition to our historic ties.
- E. Clark 61 North Street commented regarding the need for development and open space and historic versus moving forward and asked the question "Are we balanced?" She spoke of the regulations and questioned whether we are squeezing our neighbors for tax dollars. She stated it is time to review the regulations. She stated the people are speaking tonight and it time they are heard. She spoke of the proposed Prospect Street project and that they had wrote letters, gave documentation provided and expert, City Historian Richard Platt, and the application was reviewed anyway. She spoke of the Noble Avenue project, Naugatuck Avenue and even Morningside. She stated this town is slowly losing its charm and character. She stated it was time to stop, look and listen and reiterated the need to review regulations and listen. She expressed the hope the Boards, whether elected or volunteer would listen.
- C. Noyes 16 Seaside Court stated she attended the Planning and Zoning meeting regarding the Noble Avenue project and commented their meetings are backwards. She stated the applicant got all the time while public comment is limited. She questioned whether that sounds like a public hearing. She spoke of democracy and that it is drives the average citizen. She stated they are not being heard and that as citizens they have a right to get involved. She spoke of the need for balance and a balance that enhances our City.

- A. Mayer 50 Prospect Street thanked the Board for listening to their proposal for a temporary building moratorium. She stated it is time to take a breath and began reading from a prepared statement speaking about a proposal for an advisory group. She also spoke of the Noble Avenue project and spoke of taxes and commented every development costs us \$1.15 for services. She stated they value this city and want to be involved in a balanced future.
- S. Ashelford 45 James Street spoke of the quality of lives. Asked if the Board could assure their pleas tonight would not fall on deaf ears. She read from a prepared statement talking of the charm of this city and that it is close to losing that. She stated she was pleading for the future of this historic little city.
- C. Kramer 104 West River Street spoke of an August 25, 2006 article in the New Haven Register that stated Planning and Zoning considered changing their regulations as a result of two recent controversial projects, projects that should not have been approved. He stated the group that has come before this Board tonight has spent time and energy educating themselves. He spoke of MCDD and of seeking a more formal platform for continued public involvement.
- L. Flanagan 44 Prospect Street called for a moratorium on building and development. She stated this group is unhappy with the current growth of building and conservation of resources. She also stated the district officers needed to better inform themselves. She called for a five (5)-member citizens advisory group that can help to oversee and educate citizens. She spoke of democracy stating average citizens drive democracy. She also commented citizens and developers should be treated equally and that she was looking for better balance for further growth. She spoke of several studies including State Planning, POCD, MCDD, Milford Zoning Regulations and Milford Sub-divisions. She stated today they are a viable voice. She quoted statistics from 1985 and that 85% of Milford was single-family houses then. She spoke of the grandiose ideas that took away Myrtle Beach and that she did not want to make Milford a city our ancestors would recognize.
- K. Rose 292 Naugatuck Avenue stated she originally came tonight to speak regarding Eisenhower Park but was compelled to speak and represent her district and their plight in the over development in Devon. She stated Planning and Zoning passed a 27-unit project and explained that process and spoke of the problems with that project such as density but nobody listened to them. She stated Devon would support a moratorium as well. She spoke of the revitalization in Devon and spoke personally of traffic on her road. She implored the Board to listen.
- T. Marquis 67 Point Beach Drive commented the theme seems to be process is steam rolling over us. She stated this is an emotional day and time and spoke of the loss of Corporal Pierson is diminishing. She spoke of her nephew who recently came back and of the park to be dedicated for Corporal Pierson and spoke emotionally of mourning the deaths from the war. She spoke of a recent comment she heard regarding there not being enough parks to dedicate to the dead. She also spoke of how this long war has cost us so much taxes, families, healthcare, etc. and most importantly the emotional devastation. She implored the Board to slow things down so people don't feel like a deal has been made.
- M. Carey -265 New haven Avenue stated she wished to speak of a revolutionary war hero in a city with a big heart. She spoke personally of an incident that occurred when she was a child. She asked the Board not to sell their plots which are buried southwest of the gate that faces the railroad.

- M. Galullo 21 Deerfield Avenue stated the Ethics Code and revisions are pre-mature at best and that fixing the Ethics Code before a verdict is pre-mature. He asked the Board not to touch the Ethics Code until after the next election
- J. Prisco 11 Riverdale Road asked about a permit to spray for mosquitoes and who is paying for this and that it seemed as though only one house was being sprayed. He stated he would like some answers. He also spoke regarding the Ethics hearing and the lack of respect this young woman was shown. He stated she has rights too and that she wasn't even given a chair to sit down even when she asked. He reiterated the lack of respect shown. He also asked about TV and when Milford is going to be televised and asked for an answer. He also asked about liaison committees and noted no one is talking and asked what is going on. He asked why no reports and why no one speaks. He stated he was going to run for aldermen and give everyone a run. He also asked about the Parks Committee and what was going on there..
- M. Case -300 Bic Drive stated he was here on behalf of Jordan Realty and item 8e and that he would be happy to answer any questions when the item comes up.
- J. Fowler 50 Pine Knobb Terrace stated he is a citizen and here to speak about free speech. He stated he is the publisher of the National Review and remarked there is never a bad time to defend liberty and stated it is a given and not something that can be played with or tried with. He stated speech control is on the march not only in college it is afoot here too in Milford. He referred to the slogan Milford "a small city with a big heart" but that some want to make it a small city with a gag mouth. He read from a prepared statement remarking in Milford I may not like what you say, but if I don't like your tone I will file action against you. He stated the Ethics Commission should not join the march to suppress our citizens. He asked the Board to consider revising the Code in order to protect free speech and not give the Ethics Commission any special consideration and that there is no bad time to protect and defend free speech.
- R. Masud 18 Intervale Parkway commented each month the meetings are taped but we don't get to see them. He asked about the government access television and asked why and what is taking so long. He also spoke about the sewer project Devon pushed through and commented the volume isn't changing much that he could see and that the big upgrade was on a promise we may get money back. He also spoke of the Smith Craft project and spoke of the situation in Woodmont regarding a gentleman who was trying to tape a meeting. He referred to FOI Section 226 that allows taping.
- 3. Consideration of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen held on August 7, 2006.

Ald. Genovese and Ald. Vetro moved to approve the minutes of the August 7, 2006 meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Consideration of the Minutes of the Board of Aldermen Special Meeting.

None.

5. Chairman's Report and Communications.

Chairman Beirne reminded everyone the meeting next month would be held on October 5, 2006. He reminded the Board the Mayor's Committee for People with Disabilities would hold there annual dinner on Friday,

September 29, 2006 and that the first annual Irish Festival would be held on Saturday, September 16, 2006 at Fowler Field and noted it was being held half way to Saint Patrick's Day.

## 6. Mayor's Report and Recommendations (see Items 8a-8e).

Mayor Richetelli stated he would respectfully ask the Baord to consider Items 8a-8e and additional an item under #9 - New Business regarding "Greening of the Post Road Project". He spoke of the discussion last month regarding Foran High School and the lead situation and a proposal for a rather costly plan to do further testing. He stated it was his recommendation to permit schools that you not undertake that additional testing at a cost of \$270,000 and that it would show very little. He stated they are very much aware that the lead is there and that he would recommend that they go forward with a joint abatement. He stated many of the schools would be undergoing an asbestos abatement as well as lead abatement and that doing it together would save. He also stated it is a lengthy and costly process but by doing both at the same time you can alleviate the burden and you would also be eligible for reimbursement for asbestos removal. He stated this is the recommendation he will be making to the Permanent Schools Committee. He also spoke of having the strictest of standards and the stance of the health director. He also commented it was important to be financially prudent. Mayor Richetelli also spoke of the Park Street bridge project, which has been discussed and the need to decide if they should acquire the property. He explained the original agreement. He stated they determined that Phase II environmental studies were necessary and found that one of the properties there is considerable environmental cleanup necessary. He stated the cost of the clean up and testing could far outweigh the costs of acquiring the property. He stated they also talked about them selling only the ones that were "clean" but they would not consider that. He also explained if they ask for indemnification then it is for market price. He stated he would be leaning towards a recommendation they forego exercising the option on this property and that would save \$131,000 but they would also forego acquiring this property and then the state would then sell it for market value and after the clean up they would net any profits.

Chairman Beirne asked if there was a timeline.

Mayor Richetelli responded there was no timeline at this time. He stated they would let the Board know when they finished the Phase II and consider a Phase III.

Ald. Blake asked if the State Administrative Agency that makes the decision and if they can appeal their decision.

Mayor Richetelli explained it is the DOT and State superintendent. He stated they could explore if they can appeal.

Ald. Veccharelli referred to Foran High School, which he stated was discussed at length last month. He stated he was concerned they could sand blast paint or just encapsulate and that he hoped they would not make a bigger mess with sand blasting.

Mayor Richetelli stated they do not have an abatement plan worked out but that it would be like an asbestos abatement and explained that process. He stated it was his understanding lead clean up is actually easier than asbestos and that lead is very heavy and it will quickly fall to the surface when the ceiling tile is pulled down.

Ald. Lambert commented they were told they had not isolated the cause. She asked if before the abatement if they have been asked to isolate the cause.

Mayor Richetelli responded no and that there were three (3) possible sources and in all likelihood at one time or another it was probably all three. He reiterated it just needed to be cleaned up and then encapsulated.

Ald. Genovese stated she is on the Permanent Schools Committee and noted there has been a lot of discussion and explained the Permanent Schools Committee has done the best they could to solve this problem. She spoke of the three issues and stated by doing it the way they are proposing it will take care of the issue and they would be eligible for reimbursement. She stated they have spoken with our legislatures to see if there is anything the State can do.

Ald. Hardiman expressed the importance of talking with our representatives.

Mayor Richetelli also spoke concerning DPUC and town specific casting. He stated the City was granted interim relief by DPUC however there was numerous conditions and requirements, which were far too strict and stringent. He stated they filed a motion re reconsider and once they work out the details they should be back on the air. He stated they considered this a partial victory but the restrictions that were imposed were discriminatory in that other towns are not required to do many of those things.

#### 7. Unfinished Business:

None.

# 8. New Business (From Mayor's Report Items 8a-8e)

Ald. Patterson raised a Point of Order and stated there is Unfinished Business. He stated he asked for a point of clarification regarding the Chairman being appointed to the Milford Academy Building Committee. He referenced Rule 9 and read from it. He also stated Milford Academy is not a special committee and that he would like an opinion from the City Attorney.

Mayor Richetelli explained the Milford Academy Committee was established by a Resolution passed by this Board in 2003 or 2004. He stated the original Resolution was that it was to be a 7-member committee appointed by the Mayor to include 3 citizens, 2 members of the Board of Education (each party from the 5<sup>th</sup> District) and 2 members from the Board of Aldermen (each party from the 5<sup>th</sup> District). He went on explain the make-up of the committee established by the Resolution included 2 aldermen, 1 from each part from the 5<sup>th</sup> District and stated that both Ald. Blake and Farley resigned from the committee and the only other person who could serve from the 5<sup>th</sup> District was Ald. Beirne. He also stated that under the Charter no one could cast two voices. He added there is no discrimination and reiterated it was done in accordance with the Resolution to replace a 5<sup>th</sup> District representative with a 5<sup>th</sup> District representative.

Ald. Patterson noted that on the Board of Education side it is a member of the 4<sup>th</sup> District not the 5<sup>th</sup> District and that an exception was made.

Mayor Richetelli stated he was only giving the history and this Board represented that it be a 5<sup>th</sup> District member of the Board of Aldermen and Board of Education. He stated it was left up to the Democrats on the

Board of Education and that it was Mr. Hourigan that was selected. He stated he asked the Democrats and was told it would be Mr. Hourigan.

8a. <u>Ald. Genovese and Ald. Vetro moved to approve the request for the Resolution RE: Naming and dedication of City Park on Davenport Avenue as the "Corporal Jordan C. Pierson Memorial Park"</u>.

Ald. Blake commented it is a tribute to Corporal Pierson and engaging in the 9-11 tribute and spoke of the patriotism in Milford. He also reminded that during budget deliberations the MAPO account was cut. He stated that at a later time he would like to see \$500 restored to the account, which this Board cut.

Motion carried unanimously.

- 8b. <u>Ald. Genovese and Ald. Ditchkus moved to approve consideration of the Resolution RE: State of Connecticut local Capital Improvement Program Assistance for Milford Road Resurfacing Program 2006.</u> Motion carried unanimously.
- 8c. Ald. Genovese and Ald. Vetro moved to approve the request (per Planning and Zoning Board recommendation dated June 8, 2006) to grant the request of Steven's Ford of Bridgeport Avenue, Milford, to purchase City owned property, formerly owned by Karl and Louise Sprunken, also known as Assessor's Map 25, Block 269, Parcel 14, with the following stipulations: 1) that it cannot be used as a separate building lot nor combined with any other property to create a new building lot; 2) that the purchaser be required to provide any necessary land surveying services required in relation to the property transaction; and 3) that the Mayor and the City Attorney be authorized to negotiate on behalf of the City for the sale of this property. (Adjacent property owners notified).

Ald. Blake asked if they could get some background on this or a "thumbnail sketch".

Mayor Richetelli stated he could give a "thumbnail sketch" and explained the Sprunkens were the owners on file and they owed back taxes and the City acquired the property. It is also surrounded by other property owned by Stevens Ford. He stated Stevens Ford has used this property for the storage of their vehicles and have done so for many years and that it is land locked. He stated Attorney Studer was present and could answer any additional questions.

Attorney Studer stated the Mayor did an admirable job but he would be happy to address any other questions.

Motion carried unanimously.

- 8d. Ald. Genovese and Ald. Ditchkus moved to approve the request for Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Connecticut Innovations, Inc. as administrator of the Connecticut Clean Energy Fund and the City of Milford regarding participation in the Community Innovations Grants Program, and to authorize the Mayor to sign the MOU and to authorize the City of Milford Clean Energy Task Force to administer the program locally and to further authorize Thomas J. Ivers, Chairman of the Clean Energy Task Force, to act as the City's principal contact for the program and the MOU. Motion carried unanimously.
- 8e. Ald. Genovese and Ald. Vetro moved to approve the request for the Agreement between Jordan Realty, LLC, 127 Boston Post Road, Milford, the Connecticut Light and Power Company, having offices at 107 Selden

Street, Berlin, CT, and the City of Milford regarding Shelland Street and the construction of New Shelland Street.

Ald. Patterson commented the drawing was not clear and asked if the New Shelland Street came out on Plains Road. He also asked the impact for the realignment and re-opening of Plains Road.

Mayor Richetelli stated he would try to answer the questions. He also stated that Attorney Max Case for Jordan Realty and the City Attorney were available. He responded yes it will come out to Plains Road and it should not impact efforts to re-open the railroad crossing. He also spoke of the state funding which had not been approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

9. New Business not on the Agenda which may be introduced by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those present and voting.

Ald. Genovese and Ald. Ditchkus moved to add to the Agenda a Request for the Board of Aldermen to accept a donation of Funds for the Purchase of Trees as condition of approval for the Westfield Connecticut Post Mall expansion project. Motion carried unanimously.

Ald. Genovese and Ald. Ditchkus moved to approve the request to accept a donation of funds in the amount of \$25,000 from Westfield Connecticut Post to be used for the purchase of 72 trees for the "Greening of the Post Road Project," which is a Planning and Zoning Board condition of approval for the Westfield expansion project and that the Finance Director is authorized and directed to set up a separate account for these funds to be deposited into and withdrawn as needed for the project as administered by the City Planner in cooperation with the Tree Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Beirne stated the Board would take a 5-minute recess at 9:33 p.m. Chairman Beirne reconvened the Board at 9:44 p.m.

Ald. Blake stated he spoke earlier of patriotism and in that vein he made a motion to authorize the city Attorney to issue a grant of \$500.00 to the Milford Patriotic Organization Association. Ald. Patterson seconded the motion.

Chairman Beirne stated that ones patriotism should not be measured in dollars.

Mayor Richetelli added that procedurally this is not possible and commented with all due respect to Ald. Blake that this could not be done and that he should know that. He stated the City Attorney could not due this but the Finance Director could but that you needed to know from what account you are transferring the money. He stated he also wished to point out as Ald. Blake did earlier that Milford is extremely patriotic. He stated they have always taken care of the needs of MAPO and as an example explained when Ms. Damico stated they needed uniforms for the Milford File and Drum it went through the proper channels and approved by this Board. He stated this was not the time or place for this and certainly if MAPO expressed a need for this money they would do what they could.

Chairman Beirne stated the motion was not feasible.

Mayor Richeteli stated procedurally it could not be done and that the City Attorney could not authorize the transfer of funds and that it needed to be done through the Board of Finance.

Ald. Blake stated he misspoke when he said City Attorney and that that he meant to use the same process as when this Board donated \$500 for Katrina. He stated it was his belief that MAPO had asked for \$1,000 in their budget for their needs.

Ald. Ditchkus raised a point of order stating they were way off track and that this had not been added to the agenda.

Ald. Blake stated a majority of this Board voted to reduce what they asked for. He stated in the spirit of patriotism it is fitting and patriotic to do this.

Ald. Ditchkus stated he was upset Ald. Blake was measuring patriotism through a \$500 transfer and through the death of a solider.

Ald. Veccharelli raised a point of order stating this was not appropriate in light of the date.

Ald. Ditchkus stated he has the floor and that he did not call anyone a name and further it was disrespectful that he was interrupted. Secondly he stated Ald. Blake was trying to do this through the death of a solider and stated he was very upset by that and that it was a disgrace.

Ald. Blake stated Ald. Ditchkus was out of line and that this was all astounding to him.

Chairman Beirne reminded the Board that last Memorial Day MAPO did not have money for flags for memorial and that they found that money for them.

By roll call the motion failed 7 no (Beirne, Bier, Ditchkus, Garbus, Genovese, Politi, Toohey) and 7 yes (Blake, Hardiman, Lambert, Patterson, Rowland, Veccharelli, Vetro).

### 10. Budget Memo Transfers

- a. <u>Ald. Genovese and Ald. Vetro moved to approve consideration of Budget Memo Transfer #20, Fund 10, FY 2006-2007</u>. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. <u>Ald. Genovese and Ald. Ditchkus moved to approve consideration of Budget Memo Transfer #21, Fund 10, FY 2006-2007.</u> <u>Motion carried unanimously.</u>

### 11. Refunds:

a. <u>Ald. Genovese and Ald.Ditchkus moved to approve Consideration of Refunds in the amount of</u> \$42,681.92. Motion carried unanimously.

## 12. Report of Standing Committees:

a. Ordinance Committee – Ald. Ditchkus reported the Ordinance Committee met earlier in the evening regarding one item.

Ald. Ditchkus and Ald. Toohey moved to approve an Ordinance approving a master equipment lease/purchase agreement for computer hardware/software for the Board of Education.

Ald. Rowland stated she recalled discussing this during budget time and asked for an explanation.

Mr. Russell explained that currently their systems are all separate and that they were looking to integrate their financial information system.

Ald. Rowland noted that SAP is primarily software for big corporations and asked if they invested with the city's software.

Mr. Russell stated they did not and explained the City uses AS-400 and that they have a PC based system. He explained how they developed the specifications and also noted they have been asking for a new system for 5 years. He stated they decided last year to do it on as a lease purchase, which failed in their budget. He gave a lengthy explanation as to the program and that they were happy with the system and that it is a good fit for them

Chairman Beirne thanked Mr. Russell for waiting tonight. He referred to the Board of Finance meeting held on August 28, 2006 that Mr. Russell spoke and that Mr. Lema and Mr. Fitzpatrick moved to approve this request. Chairman Beirne read from the minutes of that meeting and commented at the bottom of the page it states the contract was signed and that Mr. Russell replied yes. Chairman Beirne commented it was his understanding that the system has been ordered and in fact some of it delivered.

Mr. Russell stated the money is not in reserve and explained they were looking for a tax-exempt lease purchase or they would attempt to purchase it outright. He proceeded to explain the difference of these two leases and the percentages. He stated they were hoping to start the new system on January 1, 2007. Mr. Russell explained why they wrote P.O.'s and their discussions with Bank of America and that it was done in order to get the system running.

Chairman Beirne asked if money was held in reserve.

Mr. Russell replied nothing was held in reserve. He stated they identified the building projects they would have to take away if necessary. He explained the cost of the two ways of purchase and the specific numbers.

Chairman Beirne asked if the Board of Education approved the purchase.

Mr. Russell explained the Board of Education does not approve bids and that this has been discussed.

Ald. Genovese commented it was important to conduct through research so that problems do not arise.

Mr. Russell stated this company has 92 sites across the company the largest being in Laredo, Texas and that they were able to visit two sites in New Jersey and spoke with at least two others.

Ald. Patterson asked for clarification that they were not asking for money but rather a favorable lease.

Mr. Russell stated they are not authorized to authorized to purchase a tax exempt lease and that they are here because it doesn't make sense to pay extra money.

Ald. Politi commented she was pleased they found a cost-effective program. She stated she was concerned with the life of such a system.

Mr. Russell stated the people usually change out and noted they have had their current system since 1989.

Motion carried unanimously.

Ald. Ditchkus noted for a point of information that items 12a 2 and 3 were removed from the agenda.

- b. Public Safety and Welfare Committee Ald. Garbus reported he received a poster from Chief LaVecchia that gave various emergency numbers and information but that it was not complete but is being worked on.
- c. Public Works Committee Ald. Toohey reported work continues on the beaches, roads and sewer. She also reported the last bulk trash pick up is in September.
- d. Claims Committee Ald.Toohey reported the Claims Committee met earlier in the evening to discuss the claim of Josh Thomas (PPD) (Executive Session).

Ald. Toohey and Ald. Patterson moved to approve consideration of the Claim of Public Works Employee Josh Thomas (PPD) as discussed in Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

Ald. Rowland raised a point of order and stated the Chair did not ask if anyone was opposed.

Chairman Beirne asked if anyone was opposed. Hearing none, motion carried unanimously.

- e. Rules Committee no report.
- f. Personnel Committee no report.

## 13. Report of Special Committees:

Chairman Beirne stated they would suspend the Report of Special Committees unless anyone had anything to report.

Ald. Toohey stated she wished to report on the Golf Course Commission and Park, Beach and Recreation.

- a. Liaison Sub-Committee Board of Education no report.
- b. Liaison Sub-Committee Flood & Erosion Board no report.
- c. Liaison Sub-Committee Park, Beach & Recreation Comm. Ald. Toohey stated she wished to make the Board aware of the special recognition of the Benson-Crump Memorial Community Garden received from the Wildlife Habitat and explained.
- d. Liaison Sub-Committee Planning & Zoning Board no report.
- e. Liaison Sub-Committee no report.
- f. Liaison Sub-Committee Harbor Management Commission no report.
- g. Liaison Council on Aging no report.
- h. Permanent School Facility Building Committee agenda re-ordered.
- i. Liaison Sub-Committee Library Board no report.
- j. Liaison Sub-Committee Fowler Memorial building no report.
- k. Liaison Sub-Committee Housing Authority no report.
- l. Golf Course Commission Ald. Toohey stated she wished to invite all members of the Board to the official dedication of the Golf Course to honor the late John Casey, City Engineer and designer of the clubhouse. She stated the ceremony would take place on Sunday, September 24, 2006.
- m. Inland Wetlands Agency no report.
- n. Milford Academy Community Campus Bldg. Committee no report.
- o. Courthouse Expansion Committee no report.
- p. Liaison Health Department no report.
- 14. Executive Session A two-thirds (2/3) vote of those present and voting is required for any item to be considered in Executive Session. A two-thirds (2/3) vote of those present and voting is required to go into Executive Session.

Ald. Vetro and Ald. Patterson moved to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board adjourned at 10:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen K. Huber Board Secretary